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Tips for Student Success

Learn study skills basics

Developing good study skills will set the foundation for a strong, successful academic experience. While there are entire books written about good study skills, here are a few of the basics:

- Decide when you are going to study. Look at all the activities in your life - including classes, work, sports, family time and hanging out with friends - and set aside time for your studies.
- Schedule your studies during a time of day when you are rested and alert. Also, plan to tackle your most challenging subjects first, when your mind is the freshest.
- Once you have a study schedule - follow it. Think of it like a job. If someone asks you to do something during that time period, tell them "sorry, I have to work."
- Decide where you are going to study. Often, studying at home or in your dorm room is not the best option, as there are too many distractions. Campuses are filled with good places to study - libraries, computer labs, study halls. Try out a few places to see what works best for you.
- Don't do it all at once. For example, try breaking your study time into 30-minute chunks, followed by 10-minute breaks.
- Attend, participate and stay up-to-date in your classes. Consider joining a student study group or meeting regularly with your professor.
- Avoid procrastination. Although just getting started is usually the best method for overcoming procrastination, there are many other strategies you can try.
- Learn more about good study skills. Check to see if your school offers a study skills workshop or course, or meet with an adviser to get more information on study skills.

Upcoming Doyon Foundation Events

Mark your calendars for fall events

Following is a list of upcoming Doyon Foundation events and deadlines:

September 15

Winter scholarship application deadline for part-time or full-time vocational students

September 22

Regular board of director's meeting at Doyon, Limited building in Fairbanks

September 28

Deadline for board of directors candidates to submit letter of interest and resume

October 24

Annual membership meeting in Fairbanks, time and location TBD

November 10

Oath of office for new board members and regular board of director's meeting at Doyon, Limited building in Fairbanks

November 15

Spring scholarship application deadline for basic scholarships

For more information on upcoming events, please contact Seeyaa' Charpentier at 907.459.2048 or charpentiers@doyon.com.

Doyon Foundation Seeks Candidates for Board of Directors

Applications due by September 28

Doyon Foundation is seeking candidates for its board of directors. Two seats will be up for election this October; one is open to any Doyon, Limited shareholder and the other must be filled by a Doyon, Limited board member. The term for each seat is three years, expiring in 2010. The deadline for applying is 5 p.m. on September 28, and the election will take place at Doyon Foundation's annual membership meeting on October 24 in Fairbanks. For more information on qualifications, responsibilities and application instructions, please visit www.doyonfoundation.com or contact Sharon McConnell Gillis at 907.459.2050 or gilliss@doyon.com.

Internships, Scholarships and Other Educational Opportunities

Lots of options available to students

Looking for a summer internship? Need help paying for school? Check out these internships, scholarships and other educational opportunities:

- Applications are currently being accepted for the \$500 Jim Cramer's Mad Money - Book Scholarship. The scholarship is available to U.S. high school, college and graduate students in all fields of study. For more information, visit <http://www.cksf.org/index.cfm?Page=FindScholarships&Subpage=cramerchallenge>. Applications due September 1, 2007.
- Syracuse University's School of Architecture is seeking young men and women of color interested in pursuing a five-year professional degree in architecture. A total of 10 educational scholarships are available. For more information, contact Mark Robbins at 315.443.2255 or robbinsm@syr.edu.
- The University of the District of Columbia (UDC) is currently recruiting nursing students between the ages of 18 - 28. Through the UDC program, students will receive free tuition, free books, a \$250 monthly stipend, and guaranteed job placement upon graduation. For more information, contact Beshon Smith at 202.266.5481 or Bsmith@urbanalliance.org.
- In an effort to recruit young people into health care careers in interior Alaska, a program at Fairbanks Memorial Hospital is offering grant funding for educational expenses, job shadowing, tours and other opportunities. For more information, contact Tania Clucas at 907.458.6416.
- Studying health care? Need to complete a clinical rotation? Live outside the Fairbanks area? The Interior AHEC can help with travel and housing costs! For more information on the clinical rotations program, contact Russ Amerson at 907.458.6409.
- Doyon, Limited is seeking an accounting intern to join their accounting team. This intern would be assisting with payroll, accounts payable and the general ledger. Specifically, they will learn to prepare journal entries, filing, processing payroll, processing invoices, data entry, accounting software and other accounting processes. For more information or to apply, contact Terri Wagoner at 907.459.2025.
- The Alaska Vocational Technical Center and Alaska Pacific University are offering an associate of arts degree in Career and Technical Education (CTE). The next CTE 101 class, titled Foundations of Career and Technical Education, will be held September 19 - December 12 via distance delivery. For enrollment information, call 907.224.3322 or 1.800.478.5389.